

## **REGULATION UPDATE**

### **August 2008**

The Structural Pest Control Board (Board) has adopted section 1984 of title 16 of the California Code of Regulations, which adds the definition of Integrated Pest Management (IPM).

The Board has additional pending rulemaking forthcoming and this announcement will be included in a mass mailing.

Please find attached a copy of the regulation, which is effective August 8, 2008.

If you have any questions, please call 916-561-8700.

Attachment

**STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD  
ADOPTED REGULATION**

§1984. Structural Integrated Pest Management.

(a) Structural integrated pest management (IPM) means a systematic decision making approach to managing pests, which focuses on long-term prevention or suppression with minimal impact on human health, property, the environment, and non-target organisms. Structural IPM incorporates all reasonable measures to prevent pest problems by properly identifying pests, monitoring population dynamics, and using cultural, physical, biological or chemical pest population control measures to reduce pests to acceptable levels. If a pesticide application or other intervention is determined to be necessary, the selection and application of the intervention shall be performed in a manner that minimizes risk to people, property, the environment, and non-target organisms, while providing effective pest management.

(b) For the purposes of this section, intervention means an action, device, product or practice that is intended for the prevention, control, management, elimination or abatement of a pest.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 8525, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Section 8505, Business and Professions Code.